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application of prior pending Application No. 09/630,444, filed August 2, 2000, which in turn is a Continuation-In-Part								
Application of Application No. 09/462,581 filed January 11, 2000, now abandoned, which in turn is a U.S. National Stage Application of PCT/JP99/02524 filed May 14, 1999.								
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6.	\bowtie	Priority of foreign application(s) No. <u>10-132446</u> filed <u>May 14, 1998</u> in <u>Japan</u> is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119 and/or §365(b).
	$\overline{\Box}$	The certified copy was filed in prior Application No on
		A certified copy of the above foreign application(s) is filed herewith.
	\boxtimes	A copy of the priority document was transmitted by the International Bureau in prior Application No. <u>PCT/JP99/02524</u> .
7.		Priority of U.S. Provisional Application(s) No filed is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119.
		(A Preliminary Amendment is attached to reflect the claim of benefit in the specification if not already present.)
8.	\boxtimes	The prior application is assigned of record to <u>Seiko Epson Corporation</u> , <u>Tokyo</u> , <u>Japan</u> and recorded at Reel <u>011272</u> , Frame <u>0776</u> .
9.		This application is filed by fewer than all the inventors named in the prior application (37 C.F.R §1.53(b)(1)). Delete the following inventor(s) named in the prior application:
10.	\boxtimes	A Preliminary Amendment is attached. The Preliminary Amendment amends the specification to reflect the continuation data. Claims added by this Amendment are properly numbered consecutively beginning with the number next following the highest numbered claim in the application and claims canceled are identified in the listing of claims.
11.	\boxtimes	An Information Disclosure Statement is attached.
12.		Small entity status:
		a. Entitlement to small entity status is asserted.
		b. Small entity status is no longer claimed.
13.		Other:
14.		This application is NOT to be published under 35 U.S.C. 122(b). The undersigned attorney or agent hereby certifies that the invention disclosed in this application has not been and will not be the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral international agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing.
15.		The power of attorney in the application is to James A. Oliff, Registration No. 27,075, William P. Berridge, Registration No. 30,024, Kirk M. Hudson, Registration No. 27,562, Thomas J. Pardini, Registration No. 30,411, Edward P. Walker, Registration No. 31,450, Robert A. Miller, Registration No. 32,771, Mario A. Costantino, Registration No. 33,565, Joel S. Armstrong, Registration No. 36,430, Christopher W. Brown, Registration No. 38,025, Richard E. Rice, Registration No. 31,560, Paul Tsou, Registration No. 37,956, and/or Eric D. Morehouse, Registration No. 38,565.
		b. Since the power does not appear in the attached Declaration and Power of Attorney, a substitute
		Power of Attorney is also attached.
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